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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director, OSA
SUBJECT: Status of Equipment on Loaned Aircraft

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1. Technical reporting as regards equipment being operated by SAC on Agency aircraft TDY to [REDACTED] is sketchy at best and, in fact, it is only through personal contact with some of our people that we get any information. No requirement has been levied on SAC to provide such reporting; however, we will continue to work with our own representatives so that we will be generally informed regarding performance of our equipment.

2. Unofficially, we understand that System III and VI are not performing in accordance with our standards. Initially, the equipment was functioning properly as it was being maintained by our technicians. Since the work-load was too heavy for the limited number of people available, our technicians now perform pre-flights only. Maintenance on the system is being performed by SAC personnel.

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3. Activations of System XII, which are reported, indicate that the SAC pilots are not interpreting System XII in accordance with instructions given to our pilots, and on at least one mission the pilot reported [REDACTED] when, in fact, there were probably none. It should be noted that our System XII has been continuously modified and updated as information became available and is not identical to that system which SAC was using previously. Where on the one hand our pilots are thoroughly indoctrinated, and technicians attend briefings and debriefings, there has been little opportunity

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to update SAC pilots since our technicians are not allowed either in the briefing or debriefing sequence.

4. The above information is not provided to create a technical battle with SAC but to keep you informed in the event that complaints are registered regarding our equipment or personnel.

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Please try to arrange through Col. Gearin's office a visit to 4080th by [REDACTED] to see where the discrepancies are.
J.C.L.